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This application is made by the below identified inventor(s). Attached hereto are the following papers:

- ☐ Newly executed Declaration, ☐ Copy of Declaration from prior application, ☒ Abstract /with Fig. 1
☐ Please **delete** the following inventors in the continuation/division/continuation-in-part application:

Deleted persons:67 pages of specification and claims (including 29 numbered claims), and
8 sheets of accompanying drawing/s.☐ Attached is a Power of Attorney.☒ Priority is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based on the following foreign applications:**Application Number****Country****Day/Month/Year Filed**

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, respectively, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application..

- ☒ Certified copy(ies) of foreign application(s) is/are attached.
☐ Certified copy(ies) filed on _____ in prior application no. _____ filed _____
☐ This application claims the benefit of Provisional Application No. _____, filed _____, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application.
☐ This application is a ☐ continuation/☐ division/☐ continuation-in-part of Application No. _____, filed _____, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference in this application.
☐ Petition filed in prior application to extend its life to insure co-pendency.
☐ The prior application is assigned to _____
☐ It is hereby requested that the Examiner consider the art cited in the above parent application(s) by applicant and/or the Examiner for the reasons stated therein. A listing of that art is attached, but pursuant to Rule 98(d) copies are not required.
☐ Applicant claims "small entity" status. ☐ "Small entity" statement attached.
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- ☒ Also attached: ☒ Information Disclosure Statement; ☐ Non-Publication Request; ☐ Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission; ☐ Statement deleting Inventor(s) named in prior application; ☒ Other: PTO Form 1449 and 4 Cited References; 1 Sheet of Abstract Fig. 1.

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